

SENATE BILL 2354
By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71,
Chapter 5, Part 26, relative to prescription
medications.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 26, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

§ 71-5-2604.

(a) It is an offense for any person to fail to disclose to a physician or health care provider from whom the person obtains a controlled substance, or a prescription for a controlled substance, that the person has received either the same controlled substance or a prescription for the same controlled substance, or a controlled substance of similar therapeutic use or a prescription for a controlled substance of similar therapeutic use, from another physician or health care provider within the previous thirty (30) days.

(b) Any person who violates subsection (a) commits a Class E felony if such person used TennCare to pay for either the physician or health care provider visit or visits or for payment of the prescription medications obtained in violation of subsection (a).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.